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WILLIAMSBURG, TO WIT:

WEDNESDAY, *July* 14, 1779.

EVER attentive to the intereſts of their country, jealouſly concerned for its welfare, and juſtly alarmed at the critical ſituation in which America ſtands, ſome publick ſpirited inhabitants of this city, having maturely conſidered the premiſes, are of opinion, that from the preſent alarming depreciated ſtate of our paper currencies, the exorbitant prices of all the articles and neceſſaries of life, imported or manufactured, and the dangerous practices of monopolizers, foreſtallers, and engroſſers, conſequent and inevitable ruin will enſue, unleſs by the timely and ſpirited exertions of the independent and patriotick friends to their country, a ſpeedy and effectual remedy is applied to theſe great and growing evils; and have therefore determined to call for and collect the general ſenſe and opinion of thoſe reſpectible citizens and freemen of this corporation who feel themſelves actuated by the ſame laudable motives, in a town-meeting, to be held at the town courthouſe to-morrow, at 10 o'clock.

To ſuch MEETING, *when convened, the following propoſitions are reſpectfully ſubmitted for their conſideration and opinion.*

1ſt. THAT the prices of all imported goods now for ſale in this city, be regulated at certain fixed and ſtated rates, by a committee to be appointed for that purpoſe, who ſhall report to a future meeting.

2d. That the prices of proviſion, country produce and manufacture, brought to, and vended in this city, be alſo regulated in a ſimilar manner, and in due proportion to imported goods, by another committee to be appointed for that purpoſe, ſubject to the opinion of a future meeting.

3d. That a committee be appointed to take proper meaſures to prevent the removal of goods from this city, by any perſon or in any manner whatever.

4th. That the committees ſo appointed, be inſtructed not to interfere with any contract for goods in this city, made by legal authority on the publick behalf.

5th. That the committees before mentioned, be inſtructed to prepare a ſuitable addreſs to the counties and corporations of this commonwealth, reciting the reaſons which have induced this meeting, ſtating the meaſures adopted, and inviting and adviſing them to adopt ſimilar regulations; obſerving upon the happy effects experienced by a ſiſter ſtate from ſuch a conduct.

6th. When proper and adviſeable meaſures are adopted here, that an aſſociation for adhering to and maintaining them be prepared, and a committee appointed on behalf of the city to enforce a due obſervation thereof.

7th. That to prevent the cenſures of ill deſigning men, and defeat any ſuſpicions of an intended inſult to the civil authority, this meeting be conducted with all poſſible decorum and moderation; that it be conſidered as the full and reſpectable meeting of the citizens and inhabitants of this corporation, and as contradiſtinguiſhed from the tumultuous proceeding of a mob; that every meaſure adopted here, be deciſively, determinately, and effectually executed.

In conſequence of the foregoing, a GENERAL TOWN MEETING *of the* CITIZENS *and* INHABITANTS *of* WILLIAMSBURG, *convened at the town courthouſe, on* Thurſday *the* 15*th of* July, 1779.

THE Reverend Robert Andrews was unanimouſly elected chairman, and Mr. John Beckley clerk.

The Chairman opened the meeting by informing his fellow citizens, that at the inſtance of ſeveral reſpectable inhabitants, they had been thus called together to deliberate generally upon the ſituation of publick affairs, but particularly to conſult what will be the probable means of appreciating our paper currencies, of aiding the publick credit, and of averting the evils at preſent experienced; and alſo to adopt proper meaſures for attaining theſe ſalutary purpoſes: And he preſented to the meeting a paper containing certain propoſitions on this ſubject, which was twice read, and is the ſame that precedes this journal.

Reſolved, that the preſent alarming depreciation of our paper currency and the exorbitant prices not only of imported goods, but of labour and all the neceſſaries of life, are in a great meaſure owing to the dangerous practices of monopolizers, foreſtallers, and engroſſers, and to the avarice and extortion of individuals, that conſequent and inevitable ruin will enſue, unleſs by the timely and ſpirited exertions of the independent and patriotick friends to their country, ſome ſpeedy and affectual remedy be applied.

Reſolved therefore, that a committee of five perſons be forthwith appointed, and that they or any three of them be authorized to take the premiſes under their conſideration, to prepare and draw up a proper addreſs to the good people of this commonwealth upon the ſubject, and to form and digeſt the moſt effectual methods of redreſs, and that they report their proceedings therein to a town-meeting, to be held to-morrow at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, for that purpoſe.

Reſolved alſo, that the ſaid committee be empowered and required immediately to take proper meaſures to prevent the removal of goods from this city, and the adjacent parts, by any perſon, or in any manner whatever, until the farther directions of the town-meeting therein.

And a committee was accordingly appointed for the ſeveral purpoſes before mentioned; and Col. Innes, Mr. Henry Tazewell, Mr. Samuel Beall, Mr. John May, and Mr. Champion Travis, were nominated of the ſaid committe, who are to report to the town-meeting to-morrow.

And then the meeting adjourned till to-morrow morning, 10 o'clock.

FRIDAY, *July* 16, 1779.

THE general town meeting, being convened purſuant to adjournment of yeſterday.

The committee appointed, preſented according to order, the draught of an addreſs to the publick, together with ſundry reſolutions on the ſubject matter refered to their conſideration yeſterday, and the ſaid addreſs being twice read and debated, was unanimouſly agreed to, as followeth:

The CITIZENS *and* INHABITANTS *of* WILLIAMSBURG, *to the* FREEMEN *of the* COMMONWEALTH *of* VIRGINIA.

Friends and Countrymen,

WHEN the American ſtates firſt united in defence of their liberty againſt the arbitrary encroachments of Great Britain, difficulties lay before them, which to the cool eye of reaſon appeared almoſt inſuparable. Unprepared for war, they had not only a very powerful and well appointed enemy to contend with in the field, but they had alſo traitors nurſed in the boſom of their own country, to combat at home. They had the vigorous attacks of an open enemy to repel, and the dark and more dangerous machinations of a ſecret foe to guard againſt. They had even their own paſſions and attachments to encounter, paſſions by long uſe wedded to all the luxuries of life, and attachments to that people againſt whom they were to bear arms, coeval with their infancy. To conquer theſe adverſaries was in a manner to conquer human nature itſelf. Deſperate however as the attempt was, fruitleſs as it generally proves, Americans prizing liberty with an holy zeal, dared the trial and found an eaſy victory. It can never be forgotten with what cheerful alacrity, a people, who had long indulged in the lap of eaſe and pleaſure, reſigned this envyed ſtate to embrace the toils, the dangers, and all the chances of war, when called upon by the ſacred voice of their country. Four years have now elapſed ſince the ſword was drawn, and in that period we have ſeen every effort of the enemy baffled, which the luſt of dominion, pride, cruelty, and treachery could dictate. Heaven has ſo ſtrengthened our arm, and raiſed us up ſuch friends, that American freedom is fixed on a baſis, which the power of Britain cannot ſhake. Theſe proud oppreſſors have parted with the idea of conqueſt by force; their expectations of ſucceſs are kept alive only by the hope of ſome event among ourſelves, which may favour their wiſhes. Their great dependence is on the depreciation of our paper currency, and this is indeed the enemy from which at preſent we have moſt to dread; an expedient, neceſſary for our great purpoſe, has become, from perhaps too little attention to conſequences of an early period, but chiefly from the artifices of ſome deſigning, diſaffected men, and the avarice of others, an evil of a moſt alarming nature. Very wiſe and vigorous meaſures have been framed by Congreſs and the legiſlatures of the different ſtates to ſtop its progreſs, and by degrees to eradicate it; but the ſame means which firſt produced this evil are ſtill exerted to counteract theſe good effects: And ſo ſucceſsful have our enemies been in this their laſt reſource, that the ordinary methods of oppoſition can no longer ſerve our purpoſe. So greatly are the prices of imported goods and of country produce advanced above what either the difficulty of obtaining them, their ſcarcity, or the quantity of money in circulation would occaſion, that the publick expenſes cannot be ſupported. This alarming proſpect impels us to call upon the virtue, upon the true intereſt of our countrymen, to make one great effort and cruſh that ſpirit of extortion, which hatched in the obſcure corners, among the ſelfiſh, the diſaffected, the moſt deſpicable of human creatures, has ſpread like a low born miſt through the land, and blotted the fair character of this country. Shall the inſidious arts of miſcreants, afraid to appear what they really are, ſhall the ſordid views of men who regard nothing but themſelves, rob us of a prize, which the valour of our countrymen has gained in the field? Gratitude, reputation, our tendereſt connections, the welfare of our country, our hopes of the approbation of heaven, all forbid it. The virtue of the people at large can eaſily redreſs what the laws cannot reach. Let us begin with reducing by eaſy ſteps the prices of our own commodities, and then it will be equitable to reduce proportionably thoſe of goods imported. This will ſave our country, and every good man will find his particular account in it. The honeſt merchant will ſtill reap the profit he wiſhes for, the honeſt planter and farmer will receive as valuable returns for their produce as heretofore, the publick deſigns will be aſſiſted and promoted, future taxes will be avoided, and none but the ſelfiſh and the wretches who aim at the ruin of our country will be diſappointed. Situated as we are in the ſcene of publick tranſactions, and witneſſes of the enormous expenſes of government in the ſupport of our neceſſary military eſtabliſhments, we are perhaps more ſenſible of the ruinous tendency of thoſe evils we call upon you to remedy. Common ſenſe and the ſucceſsful experience of ſome other ſtates have ſuggeſted to us a method of oppoſing them, but your concurrence is abſolutely neceſſary to give to the meaſures we have adopted an extenſive efficacy.

The meeting then proceeded to conſider the ſeveral reſolutions reported by the committee, which being twice read, debated, and amended, were unanimouſly agreed to, as followeth:

Reſolved, as the opinion of this committee, that the probable means of appreciating our paper currency, of aiding the publick credit, and averting the evils complained of, will be by regulating monthly upon equal principles the ſelling rates of all imported goods, country produce, and manufactures.

Therefore reſolved, that the prices of goods and proviſions, ought for the preſent month, to be regulated at the following rates:

	£.		
Tobacco, per ct.	£. 15	00	
Wheat, per buſh.	5	00	
Flour, per ct.	15	00	
Seconds, per do.	10	00	
Bran, per buſhel.	1	00	
Corn, per do.	4	00	
Oats, per buſhel.	2	00	
Barley, per do.	3	00	
Rye, per do.	4	00	
Beef, per pound.		5	0
Mutton, per do.		6	0
Lamb, per quarter.	1	16	0
Veal, per do.	3	12	0
Butter, per pound.		12	0
Candles, per do.		15	0
Bacon, per do.		10	0
Allum Salt, buſh.	15	0	0
French & country do	10	0	0
Mens beſt Shoes,	9	00	
Womens leather do	7	00	
Womens calimanco	8	00	
Half cord of Wood	4	10	0

	Wholeſale.			Retail.	
Molaſſes, per gallon,	£. 4	0	to	£. 4	10
Brown Sugar, per lb.		16		1	0
Coffee, per lb.		15			18
Bohea Tea, do.	2	10		3	0
Common Green, do.	10	0		12	0
Beſt Hyſon, do.	15	0		18	0
Weſt India Rum, pr. gal.	8	0		9	0
French Rum, per do.	5	10		6	10
Loaf Sugar, per lb.	2	5		2	10
Lump do per do.	1	4		1	10
Black Pepper, per do.	1	16		2	2
Hard Soap, per do.		12			
Bar Iron, per tun	£oo	0	pr. lb.		8
Raw Hides, per pound.		5			
Raw Calf Skins,	3	0			
Sole and harneſs Leather, pr. pound.				2	5
Neets do. by the ſide.				9	0
Dreſſed Calf Skins that will cut four pair of Shoes.				9	0
Boots.				30	0

Dry goods at the rate of £. 50 currency for £. 1 ſterling coſt, the genuine invoice of which ſhall be produced to the committee when required, and proved to be ſuch, and on failure thereof, the committee ſhall prize the goods at ſuch rates as in their opinions they could have been purchaſed at in Europe.

Reſolved, that all other articles whether imported or of the country produce, ought to be vended at proportionate rates to the above, and that the good people of this town be deſired to pay attention to the ſame.

Reſolved, that the ſeveral acts of Aſſembly againſt foreſtalling, regrating, ingroſſing, and publick vendues, ought to be inforced with the utmoſt rigour, and that it is the duty of every good citizen, to make diligent enquiry after and give information of all ſuch as ſhall hereafter offend againſt thoſe laws, to the committee of inſpection and obſervation, who ſhall proſecute ſuch offenders according to law.

Reſolved, that a committee of fifteen freeholders be choſen by the inhabitants of the city, who ſhall be called a committee of inſpection and obſervation, the majority of whom ſhall have power to act. The duty of which committee ſhall be to inſpect the conduct of the inhabitants of this city, and inforce obedience to ſuch reſolutions as from time to time ſhall be agreed on by the general town-meeting; and that the ſaid committee be directed to appoint ſuch of their members as they ſhall think proper to correſpond with any committee, or committees that are already, or ſhall hereafter be appointed within this commonwealth, or any of the United States, on the ſubject matter of theſe reſolutions.

Reſolved, that all perſons who ſhall violate theſe reſolutions or any of them, ſhall be held up to the publick as inimical to the rights and liberties of America.

Whereas under pretence of ſupplying our fellow citizens in the country, great quantities of goods very probably will be moved from this city in conſequence of the foregoing reſolutions.

Reſolved therefore, that if any goods exceeding the value of 500l. ſhall be removed or attempted to be removed without the limits of this city, the owner or carrier not having firſt obtained a permit from the Chairman of the committee, except the cargo belonging to Capt. Hunter and company. Such goods ſo removed or attempted to be removed, ſhall on diſcovery, be detained under the care of the committee until the next town-meeting, and the owner to abide the conſequences.

Reſolved, that all perſons who ſhall aſk or demand, offer, or give more for any goods or proviſion than the prices aforeſaid, ſhall be conſidered as an offender againſt theſe reſolutions and dealt with accordingly.

Many other regulations may from time to time become neceſſary which cannot now be adopted or do not occur, but as the town-meetings will be frequent, all other meaſures that ſhall appear likely to produce the happy effects wiſhed for will be agreed on. And we the citizens of this town who have hereunto ſubſcribed our names, do hereby pledge our HONOUR to ſupport the ſaid committee in the execution of the foregoing reſolutions, and all others that may be agreed on by the general town-meeting.

The meeting then proceeded by ballot, to the election of fifteen perſons to be a committee of inſpection and obſervation for this city purſuant to the foregoing reſolutions, and the perſons appointed to examine the ballots, having reported the majority to be in favour of Samuel Beall, James Innes, James Southall, Humphrey Harwood, Henry Tazewell, Samuel Griffin, Robert Anderſon, John Minſon Galt, Benjamin Powell, Champion Travis, the Reverend Robert Andrews, John Dixon, Edward Archer, James M'Clurg, and John Bouſh, Gentlemen.

Reſolved, that they be appointed of the ſaid committee.

Reſolved, that the Chairman of the committee of inſpection and obſervation be authoriſed and empowered to convene a general town-meeting whenever he ſhall judge it expedient and adviſeable, ſo to do.

And then the meeting adjourned till the firſt Monday in next month.

Signed by order and on behalf of the meeting,

ROBERT ANDREWS, Chairman.

Atteſt. JOHN BECKLEY, Clerk.

☞ The principles on which the town-meeting fixed the retail price of imported goods at fifty for one, were the following: The preſent diſadvantages under which trade labours, require that about 200 per cent. be laid on the ſterling coſt, to give the importer and retailer a living profit. Suppoſe then a yard of linen to coſt three ſhillings ſterling; at 200 per cent. it will amount to nine ſhillings, which multiplied by 16⅔, which is as low as the average of the advance of country produce, will produce 150 ſhillings or fifty for one. Tobacco has been rated lower than moſt other things, becauſe in general it has not as yet exceeded 15l. per hundred. It is expected however in the courſe of a month or two, that all other things will be reduced to this ſtandard, and that afterwards every article will be reduced in proportion to its ancient value.

BOSTON, JULY 1.

FRIDAY laſt the privateer ſhip General Putnam, Capt. Saltonſtall, belonging to New London, arrived in this port from a ſucceſsful cruiſe, having taken ſix prizes, one of which (freighted with invalids, a leg or an arm each, bound from New York for the iſland of Tyranny) be permitted to be preſented to their maſter; three others arrived in ſafe ports, and a ſnow from Liverpool for New York, laden with proviſions and dry goods, he brought in with him; the other prize, a brig from Liverpool, arrived here laſt Saturday evening.

Nine privateers, from New York, have been captured and carried into New London ſince the firſt day of March laſt.

Thurſday laſt arrived in port, a brig loaded with proviſions, and ſome dry goods. She was one among a number from Ireland, bound to New York; but not inclining to proſecute their intended voyage, they concerted a plan, left them in the night, and proceeded accordingly.

A veſſel arrived in this ſtate, a few days ago, from Martinique, brought important deſpatches for Congreſs, which were immediately forwarded to Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, JULY 13.

ON Sunday laſt arrived here, the brig Holker, Captain Gaddis, from St. Euſtatia. On his paſſage he took a valuable prize, bound from Georgia to New York, and ſent her into Egg Harbour; the Captain brings us the agreeable news, that the troops of our ally, his Moſt Chriſtian Majeſty, are in poſſeſſion of the iſland of St. Vincents. He alſo ſpoke with an outward bound fleet from Baltimore, conſiſting of 10 ſail, all well.

The ſame day arrived here, the ſchooner ——— Cap. Taylor, with a valuable prize, from Jamaica to New York, loaded with 190 hogſheads of Jamaica ſpirits.

And yeſterday arrived in this river, a large ſhip of 300 tons burthen, loaded with molaſſes and ſugar, retaken from the enemy by Capt. James Montgomery, in the ſtate ſhip General Green.

Extract of a letter from Boſton, *dated* June 31.

"All kinds of goods have fallen (I mean neceſſaries) 25 per cent. within a fortnight."

Extract of a letter from Fiſhkill, *dated* July 8.

"This moment the eaſtern poſt arrived, confirming the report of the enemy's having been at New Haven, and that they were obliged to retreat with loſs."

WILLIAMSBURG, JULY 24.

THE Boſton and Dean frigates put in here a few days ago and ſet on ſhore the maſters and crews of two privateers which they had taken laſt week, the veſſels they have ſent to Philadelphia; one of them is the Enterpriſe of New York, Thomas Jolly, commander, of 16 guns and 74 men; the other the Maremaid, a tender to the Vigilant, James Avery maſter, of 4 guns and 16 men; the frigates ſtaid only one day in Hampton road, and then proceeded to ſea again; the priſoners came to town yeſterday.

Two large ſhips are juſt arrived in York river from France, loaded with a great variety of military ſtores, conſiſting of 16 braſs cannon, from 24 to 4 pounders, ſeveral braſs howitzers and large mortars, with bomb-ſhells and the neceſſary apparatus, &c. all for the uſe of this ſtate.

NORFOLK, *July* 20, 1779.

THE owners of the brig *Arrow* and her cargo, preſent their beſt reſpects to Capt. *Barron*, of the ſtate ſhip *Tartar*, her officers and crew, for the great trouble taken in ſaving the brig when overſet a few days ago off *Newportnews*. Captain *Barron* attended perſonally every day, whoſe alacrity and method of tranſacting ſuch buſineſs, ſaved the veſſel and cargo from a total loſs. Captain *Malcom* in the ſtate ſhip *Dragon* alſo offered to render every ſervice in his power to Captain *Lewis*, and to lay by the wreck if neceſſary, for which he has our ſincere thanks.

HEAD QUARTERS *(poſt Charlotteſville) July* 4, 1779.

MANY deſertions having within theſe few days paſt taken place at this poſt, from the troops under the convention of *Saratoga*, as is ſuppoſed with an intention of joining the enemy; ſome of whom, to facilitate their eſcape, having forged paſſports, while others have offered, and many have actually taken the oaths of allegiance to the ſtates; all the civil and military officers and inhabitants in the ſeveral ſtates, are hereby requeſted to ſtop and ſecure every non-commiſſioned officer or private belonging to the troops of the convention (under what pretence ſoever) who may be found at a greater diſtance than fifteen miles from the barracks near *Charlotteſville*; and as they are deemed deſerters, and have thereby forfeited the privileges they were entitled to under the convention of *Saratoga*, to ſend them to the neareſt place where priſoners of war are kept, there to be delivered over to the commiſſary of priſoners, who on the receipt of them is hereby required to ſend a return of them, ſpecifying their names, regiment, time of delivery, &c. &c. ſigned by himſelf, to THEODORICK BLAND, Col. Com.

ALEXANDRIA, *July* 10, 1779.

IMPORTED from *Nantz* in the ſhip General *Waſhington*, and to be ſold for ready money in this town, on *Monday* the 26th inſtant, a cargo of goods, conſiſting of courſe and fine cloths, trimmings, ſail cloths, cordage, ſail twine, printed calicoes, cambricks, thread, ſewing ſilk, ſilk handkerchiefs, woolen, worſted, thread, cotton, and ſilk ſtockings, calimancoes, blankets, ribands, bohea and green tea, loaf ſugar, nutmegs, mace, cloves, cinnamon, mens ſhoes, claret, *French* brandy, black pepper, knives, knives and forks, buckles, buttons, ſnuff boxes, ivory and horn combs, ſciſſors, pins and needles, wool and cotton cards, ſea compaſſes, bunting, barr and ſheet lead, ſhot, window glaſs, and *Meyer's* putty, writing paper, iron pots, nails, earthen ware, glaſs ware, china, ſalt, and hats.

HOOE & HARRISON.
(1t) WILLIAM HARBERT.
JOSIAH WATSON.

The following is a list of BOOKS *for sale at* DIXON & NICOLSON'S *printing office.*

Astruc on fevers.
Animal humours.
Blancard's lexicon.
Boerhaaves chimestry.
——method of studying physick.
——materia medica.
——praxis medica.
——on the power of medicine.
Bartholine's anatomy.
Chirurgical pharmacy.
Cheyne on the gout.
—— ——on health.
Celsus on medicine.
Cheseldon's anatomy.
Dysenteria.
Deseases of women.
Drake's anatomy.
Dionis's surgery.
Essay on bathing.
Etmuleri opera.
Floyer's pulse watch, 2 vol.
——on cold bathing.
Gibson's anatomy.
Garangets surgery.
Guidott de thermis Britanicis.
Glass on fevers.
Hofman's dessertation, 2 vol.
Huxam on air.
——on fevers.
Harris on infants.
Helshams lectures.
Hippocrates aphorisms.
Hales statical experiments.
Hurlock on dentition.
Hamilton on military fevers.
Jones on intermittents.
James's practice of physick.
Lomnius on fever.
Lobb's practice of physick.
——on smallpox.
——on fevers.
Langrish theory and practice.
Meads precepts.
Monro's anatomy.
Mauriceau's diseases.
Mead on smallpox.
Petit on the bones.
Prognostick of diseases.
Paxton phisico medicum.
Pharmacopœa domestica.
——mediana.
Quincy's lexicon.
——dispensotary.
Robinson's theory.
Ramazini's diseases.
Shaw's chimestry.
Sanctorius aphorisms.
Smith's surgery.
Sharp's surgery.
Sculteti surgery.
Salmon on Bates dispensatory.
Strother's rational of medicine.
Turner's aphrodisiacus.
Touchstone of medicine.
Turner's surgery.
Triller de pluritid.
Thruston de respiration.
Turner's diseases of the skin.
Wainwright on non-naturals.
Hammond's antimonial essence.
——Specifick pills.
Norris's drops, Keyser's pills.
Sugar cakes for worms.
Maredant's drops.
Blank bonds, Bills of Lading.
Primers, &c. &c. &c.

YORK TOWN, *July* 22, 1779.

ALL persons having demands against the estates of *John Hay* and *Robert Hay*, deceased, are desired to bring in their accounts properly attested to the subscriber; and those indebted to the above estates by bond or otherwise, are desired to make immediate payment to me, as longer indulgence will not be given.

(‖) THOMAS ARCHER, Jun.

NORFOLK, *July* 15, 1779.

ALL persons indebted to the estate of Mr. *Stephen Wright*, deceased are desired to pay their accounts; and those who have claims are requested to make them immediately known, to

(‖) MATTHEW PHRIPP.

NORFOLK county, *July* 12, 1779.

ALL persons that has any clams or demands against the estate of *John Lillo*, deceased, are desired for to bring them in by the first day of *September*, that there may be an equal dividend of the estate made according to each mans debt, and those that do not bring their accounts in before the above mentioned time, will not have their equal share; likewise all persons that are indebted to the said estate, are desired to make immediate payment, as no longer indulgence can be given by

(‖) RICHARD BLAKE, Administrator.

AMELIA county, *June* 21, 1779.

ALL persons that have any just demands against the estate of Captain *Richard Claiborne*, deceased, of *Lunenburg* county, are desired to bring in their accounts properly proved by the 10th day of *August* next, as the estate will be divided at that time, when I shall be ready to pay all just demands. (2‖) EDWARD DUDLEY, Executor.

A VALUABLE negro BLACKSMITH to be hired from the first day of *August* until *Newyears* day. For farther particulars inquire of the printers.

LOST in the late plunder of *Norfolk*, the following continental loan office certificates, issued from the office in this state, viz. No. 520, 521, 522, of six hundred dollars each, dated *March* 5, 1779, and payable to *Benjamin Pollard* or bearer; No. 740, 741, of five hundred dollars each, dated *February* 25, 1779, and payable to *John Marnix* or bearer. The publick are hereby cautioned against receiving any of the said certificates, as the payment of them is stopped at the office.

(2‖) BENJAMIN POLLARD.

COMMITTED to the jail of *Chesterfield* county, the 26th of *June* last, a negro man who says his name is LUKE, that he run away from the lead mines in *Fincastle* county, where he was employed in the country service, and that he was bought by *Duncan Rose* of *John Kindale*, on the *Eastern Shore*. The owner is desired to take him away and pay charges. (2‖) ROBERT ELAM, Jailer.

RUN away from the subscriber in *Williamsburg*, a negro man named BEN, who has for some time past drove my cart; is about 5 feet 8 or 9 inches high, black complexion, a long thin face, his hair thicker and longer than is common for negroes to have, had on an old blue coat trimmed with red, but as he has other clothes may change his dress. I will give THIRTY DOLLARS if taken in the neighbourhood of this city and delivered to me, or if at a greater distance FIFTY DOLLAS.

JOHN SAUNDERS.

FOR SALE,

THREE very valuable plantations in the neighbourhood of *Petersburg*, containing from one to four thousand acres, with improvements fit for the reception of families. For particulars inquire of

(‖) WILLIAM CLAIBORNE.

PETERSBURG, *July* 14, 1779.

To be SOLD *to the highest bidder for ready money, on* Friday *the* 30*th of this instant* (July) *agreeable to the last will and testament of* Benjamin Anderson, *deceased, of* Hanover *town, at his late dwellinghouse,*

A VARIETY of household and kitchen furniture; some valuable horses, mares, and colts, stocks of cattle, sheep, and hogs, a quantity of upper and sole leather, nails of different kinds, carpenters tools, some brandy, a very good single riding chair and harness, plantation utensils, and a large assortment of valuable medicines, surgeons instruments, marble mortars &c and many other articles. All persons having any demands against the estate of the said deceased, are desired to apply and receive payment; and those indebted thereto, to settle immediately with

(1‖) BARTELOT ANDERSON, JOHN ANDERSON, } Executors.

FOR SALE,

BROWN sugar of the first quality, by the hogshead or barrel. I will purchase bills of exchange payable in any part of *Europe* or the *West Indies*, any person having claims in *England* or else where, and cannot ascertain the sum due, or have doubts of payment being made, I will buy their bills conditionally to receive no damages if protested.

(tf) SAMUEL BEALL.

WILLIAMSBURG, *July* 17, 1779.

FOR SALE,

LYING in the fork of *Beaverdam* in *Hanover* county, seven miles from *Newcastle*, and about ten from *Richmond*, a tract of land containing about 700 acres, of which (by computation) between 500 sixty of which are exceeding fine meadow ground, and about ten of it has been reclaimed. The plantation is under very good fences and in good order for cropping, this land abounds with a large quantity of fine pine and oak timber, and is good for tobacco, or any kind of small grain; there is a very good dwellinghouse with two rooms, a kitchen of the same size, and all other necessary outhouses. The land will be shewn and terms known by Capt. *Thomas Richardson*, living near the place, or the subscriber at *Green Spring*, near *Williamsburg*.

(tf) JOHN ELLIS.

A list of tobacco lying at Warwick *warehouse over two years, which if not claimed will be sold agreeable to the late act of Assembly.*

	No.	Gr.	T.	Nett.		No.	Gr.	T.	Nett.
Bowler Cocke,	2	1194	90	1104	*April* 9.	59	1086	114	972
Feb. 17, 1777.	3	1270	122	1148		60	1132	113	1019
	4	1190	108	1082		61	1118	114	1004
	5	1218	113	1105		62	1216	116	1100
Robert Donald,	13	1138	155	983		63	1143	116	1027
March 11.	14	1120	156	964		64	1070	114	956
	16	1350	112	1238	*Anthony Winston.*	93	884	132	752
	17	1312	125	1087	*Henry Skipwith.*	74	1075	114	961
	18	1070	112	958	*April* 11.	75	1121	112	1009
	19	160	113	1047		76	1004	111	893
	20	1171	128	1043		79	1110	113	997
	22	1093	116	977	*B. Cocke's estate.*	80	1180	100	1080
B. Cocke's estate.	23	1258	113	1145	*Henry Skipwith,*	81	1140	114	1026
Abram Salley.	35	1082	120	962		82	928	112	816
	36	1092	122	970		83	1053	113	940
Joseph Ward,	37	1171	113	1058		84	1143	114	1029
Robert Donald.	38	1212	128	1084		85	872	111	761
B. Cocke's estate.	41	1240	114	1126		86	824	113	711
	43	1138	116	1022		87	1000	110	890
Richard Eggleston	51	1140	126	1014		88	990	114	876
April 8.	52	1234	114	1120		89	1080	140	940
	53	1166	120	1046		90	910	115	795
	54	1056	116	940		91	943	115	828
	55	1130	119	1011		92	892	116	776
	56	1130	118	1012		93	836	109	727
	57	1233	110	1023		94	940	112	828

TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS REWARD.

RUN away from the subscribers the 15th of *May* last, a negro named FRANK, a stout lusty fellow, about 25 years of age, very black, has a scar on one of his cheeks, was brought up to the sea, may probably get a pass, and endeavour to ship on board some vessel for a freeman; carried off with him several fine linen shirts, some silk and thread stockings, marked I E; was taken up at *Edenton* about the 30th of *June*, and put on board the *Washington* galley, from which we are informed he has since made his escape. Whoever will apprehend and secure the said negro and the aforementioned articles, so as we can have them again, shall have the above reward, or for the negro alone, ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS. RICHARD & JAMES ELLIS.

*** All masters of vessels are cautioned against carrying off the said negro. [NEWBERN, *July* 4, 1779.]

FORTY DOLLARS REWARD.

STRAYED from *York* town, a dark bay horse about 3 years old, 14 hands high, with very short mane and bob tail, branded on the near buttock A, and on the the same side has a lump about the bigness of a walnut, both hind feet white, and a slip of white in his face. Whoever will deliver the said horse to Mr. *Wild* or Mr. *Gibbons* in *York* town, or Mrs. *Vobe* in *Williamsburg*, shall receive the above reward. (2‖)

TAKEN up, in *James city* county, a bull, some white on his back, flanks, belly, and buttocks, appears unmarked; a steer of a brindled colour, sawed borns, marked with a swallow fork in the right ear, and a slit in the left; also a bay mare, branded 4 and lame in one knee.

(2) BENJAMIN WELDON.

By His Excellency THOMAS JEFFERSON, *Esq; Governour or Chief Magistrate of the commonwealth of* Virginia.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS the General Assembly by their act passed at their last session entitled *An act concerning escheats and forfeitures from British subjects*, did declare that "(1) all persons, subjects of his Britannick Majesty, who on the 19th day of April, in the year 1775, when hostilities were commenced at Lexington between the United States of America and the other parts of the British empire, were resident, or following their vocations, in any part of the world other than the said United States, and have not since either entered into publick employment of the said states or joined the same, and by overt act adhered to them; and (2) all such subjects, inhabitants of any the said United States as were out of the said states on the same day, and have since by overt act adhered to the enemies of the said states; and (3) all inhabitants of the said states who after the same day and before the commencement of the act of General Assembly entitled "An act declaring what shall be treason," departed from the said states, and joined the subjects of his Britannick Majesty of their own free will; or (4) who by any court court within this commonwealth were declared to be British subject, within the meaning and operation of the resolution of the General Assembly of the 19th day of December 1776, for enforcing the statute staples should be deemed British subjects;" and by their resolution of the 26th day of the last month, they "required that all the persons so described, and now resident within this commonwealth, should be banished from the same, and that proper measures should be taken to prevent their return, as also to exclude thereout all others so described, and not now resident within this commonwealth;" I have therefore thought fit, by and with the advice of the Council of State, to issue this my proclamation, hereby strictly charging and commanding all persons coming under any one of the descriptions in the said act, and now being within this commonwealth, to be and appear before me in Council, at Williamsburg, on or before the 27th day of August in this present year, in readiness to depart the commonwealth in such manner as shall then be prescribed to them, as they will answer the contrary at their utmost peril: And I do moreover charge and enjoin all officers, civil and military, and all other the good citizens of this commonwealth, to apprehend and carry securely to the commanding officer of the militia of some county within this commonwealth all such persons, whom after the said day they shall find lurking or being therein; and the commanding officers of the several counties are in like manner charged and required to receive the said persons, and all others so described, whom by the strictest diligence they shall be able to discover and take, to convey them in safe custody to the publick jail in the city of Williamsburg, and to make report of such their proceedings to me. And I do farther prohibit all persons so described from entering into this commonwealth during the continuance of the present war with their Prince, under colour of any commission, passport, license, or other pretence whatsoever; and do publish and make known to such of them as shall presume to violate this prohibition, that they shall be deemed and dealt with as spies wheresoever they be taken.

GIVEN at Williamsburg, on the first day of July, *in the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy Nine.*

To be SOLD *on the first* Monday *in* August, *if fair, otherwise next fair day,*

MY house and lots at *Edenton*, consisting of a dwellinghouse (near the water) with three rooms above and three below, with a fine large kitchen, smokehouse, warehouse, stable, a wharf, pasture and garden; also the best part of the frame of a warehouse, almost finished, 80 by 20 feet, very commodious for a merchant, as the lighters can come to the yard to load and unload; also at the same time, a very fine brig, with new masts, sails, rigging, cables, anchors, water casks, three guns, *&c. &c.* ready fitted for sea, and is proved to be a fine sailer.

(1) BAJIEU LAPORTE.

To be sold at publick vendue, on Thursday *the 5th of* August *next, at* Isle *of* Wight *courthouse.*

THE salt pans and appurtenances belonging to the publick salt works in that county. Also at *Northumberland* courthouse, on *Tuesday* the 10th *of August*, the salt pans and appurtenances belonging to the publick salt works. On *Thursday* the 5th of *August* next, will be rented to the highest bidder, at *Gloucester* courthouse, the publick salt works, with the appurtenances thereunto belonging, in the said county, for the space of 17 months; the rent to be paid in salt, to be delivered at the time agreed on that day. *By order of the Board of Trade,*

WILLIAM RUSSELL, Clerk.

WILLIAMSBURG, *July* 9, 1779.

ALL persons indebted to the copartnery of *Pasteur* and *Galt*, are desired to pay their respective balances to Mr. *John Rowsay* immediately, who is authorised to receive the same, those who fail in so doing, will have their accounts put into the hands of an attorney.

To be RENTED *as can be agreed on, and entered upon next* December,

THE much frequented publick house in *Port Royal*, formerly kept by the subscriber, and now by Mr. *William Buckner*; the whole contains two lots, or one acre of land, on which are a large two story double house with fine dry cellars, a very commodious kitchen, a large stable, meathouse, laundry, granary, a stone well, a very neat billiard table well fixed, *&c.* The whole is inclosed and subdivided into a good garden and necessary yards. For terms apply to Mr. *Robert Johnston*, merchant in *Port Royal*. (5t) ANN FOX.

THE subscriber has for sale 50,000 acres of land, part of the tract granted to himself and company at the mouth of *Green* river, on *Ohio*. For terms apply to Colonel *Robert Burton*, of *Granville* county, *North Carolina*. (6t) RICHARD HENDERSON.

COMMITTED to the the jail of *Charles City*, on *Saturday* the 10th instant, *(July)* a negro man who says his name is *Prince*, and that he belongs to *Jesse* a *Roper* of *Chesterfield* county; he is a small fellow and and appears to be about 50 years of age. The owner is desired to take him away and pay charges. (2t) JOHN GREGORY.

WILLIAMSBURG, *June* 15, 1779.

I WILL give great wages for GUN STOCKERS, and BLACKSMITHS, that are good workmen.

(tf) JAMES ANDERSON.

ALBEMARLE, *June* 13, 1779.

LOST on the road to *Charlottesville*, the distance of 21 miles from the barracks, a pair of brown leather saddle bags, in which was 2 shirts, 2 stocks, and 2 jackets marked W W, with 1 pair of mixed cotton and wool cloth breeches, a large sum of money in different parcels, 6 continental loan office certificates of 1000 dollars each issued in the name of *Thomas Leiper*, and dated either in *January* or *February* last, 14 hhds. of tobacco on *Shockoes* warehouse, inspected in *April* and *May* 1777.

W K 43, 118, 1120. 44, 112, 1113. 45, 118, 1238. 46, 116, 1134. 47, 120, 1117. 48, 117, 1343. 49, 122, 1378. 50, 125, 1371. 58, 128, 1222. 59, 124, 1246. 60, 126, 1414. 61, 132, 1282. 62, 123, 1120. 63, 128, 1347.

Old Assembly money, 15 or 20l. the certificates, tobacco notes, old Assembly money, with the other papers, were in my pocket-book which was in my bags. I shall be much obliged to any person who will detect such certificates, or tobacco notes which may be offered for sale, and have the person offering them, carried before a magistrate and account in what manner he came by them. I will give a reward of ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS to the person who will give me such intelligence so that I can recover my saddle bags with the contents, and the person bringing me the loan office certificates, tobacco notes, and my other papers (which can be of no consequence, proper measures having been pursued to prevent payment of the certificates, and the delivery of the tobacco) shall be handsomely rewarded. (1) WILLIAM WIATT.

☞ By application to Mr. *John Hawkins* at the barracks Mr. *Richard Harvey* at *Charlottesville*, Mr. *James Buchanan* at *Shockoes*, or to myself at *Fredericksburg* will receive the above reward. W. W.

To be SOLD *to the highest bidder, for ready money, on* Wednesday *the 28th instant, at the late dwellinghouse of Mr.* Robert Boyd, *deceased, in* Blandford,

THE personal estate of the said *Boyd*, consisting of HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, stocks of HORSES, COWS, HOGGS, *&c.* by (2t) THE EXECUTORS.

RAPPEE, SCOTCH, AND MACOUBA SNUFF,

MADE AND SOLD BY

MONSIEUR *DUBOIS*,

NEAR THE CAPITOL, IN THIS CITY.

RICHMOND *July* 15, 779.

THE directors appointed by the General Assembly to provide temporary buildings for the two Houses of Assembly, the Courts of Justice, several publick Boards, and a publick jail; give notice that they will meet at Mr. *Hogg*'s tavern, in the town of *Richmond*, the day after *Henrico* court, in next month, to agree with workmen for undertaking the said buildings. Bond with approved security will be required for the performance; one half of the money to be paid within one month of the time the work is let, the other when it is finished. A plan of the buildings shall be lodged in the hands of Mr. *Hogg* and of Mr. *Galt* in the said town, a week before.

WANTED on loan till *January* next, SEVEN or TEN THOUSAND POUNDS, for which a premium will be given, besides lawful interest. Inquire of the printers.

To be SOLD *on* Tuesday *the 3d of* August *next, at the plantation of the late Captain* Jasper Clayton *of* Gloucester *county, deceased, for ready money or loan office certificates,*

ALL his household and kitchen furniture, consisting of a variety of articles, among which are several good beds, tables, chairs, desks, looking-glasses, knives and forks, a large easy chair, large copper kettle, iron pots, and many other useful things too tedious to enumerate; also two riding chairs and harness. All persons having demands against the said estate are desired to make them immediately known, and those who are indebted to the same to make payment to

(1) WILLIAM CLAYTON, Executor.

THE subscriber lately from *France* intend keeping a dancing school in this city and at *King William* courthouse. He proposes to teach the minuet in the neatest and newest manner, and will do every thing in his power to satisfy the Gentlemen and Ladies who employ him. He also proposes to keep a fencing and *French* school at the above places. Those Gentlemen who choose to favour him with their custom, will leave their names with Monsieur *Dubois*, near the capitol.

(1) JOHN KADOU.

FREDERICKSBURG, *June* 28, 1779.

MR. *Isaac Foster*, shipwright of *Gloucester* county, having (some considerable time since) contracted with the subscribers for a brig he has upon the stocks, which he fails to deliver agreeable to contract, and has received materials and money to a considerable amount. These are therefore to forewarn any person from purchasing the said brig, as no good title can be given by the said *Isaac Foster*, and an innocent purchaser subject himself to difficulties. JOHN RICHARDS.

(4t) HALL & HORNER.

FALMOUTH, *June* 30. 1779.

STOLEN or STRAYED some time in *April* last, a bright sorrel horse, 5 years old this summer, about 14 hands and an inch high, is above one half blooded, slender and delicately formed, has a star in his forehead, a hanging mane and long switch tail, not branded that I remember, is very gentle, paces a little, trots hard, and gallops extremely well; I believe he was bred in *King William* county, and if strayed, will probably have made that way. I will give one hundred and fifty dollars for delivering him to me at this place, or half that sum to any person who will inform me where he is, so that I get him.

(1) ANDREW BUCHANAN.